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Recommended Books of Tafseer

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Q: What are the books of Tafseer that you advise to be read?

A: No doubt the books of Tafseer are many and all praise belongs to Allah; this is from the bounties of Allah (Subhanahu wa 7a'ala). Tafseers vary, some of them are extensive, others summarized, some free (and devoid) from mistakes, while others have within them mistakes, especially in 'Aqeedah.

I advise my young brothers (to read) "Tafseer Ibn Katheer". Verily, it is from the greatest books of Tafseer in its methodology and approach despite its small size. This is because it explains the Qur'an with the Qur'an, then with the Prophetic Sunnah, then with statements of the Salaf as necessitated by the Arabic language which it was revealed in, (making it) a precise and reliable Tafseer.

(I also advise my young brothers (to read) "Tafseer Al Baghawee" and "Tafseer Al Haafith Ibn Jareer At Tabaree" which is extensive and comprehensive and relied upon by the other books of Tafseer. Also (I advise my young brothers (to read) "Tafseer Ash Shaikh 'Abdur Rahmaan As Sa'dee". It is a good and easily worded Tafseer abundant in knowledge.

As far as the rest of the books of Tafseer they excel in some aspects but have within them mistakes, especially in 'Aqeedah. These Tafseers are not suitable to be read except by a person who is firmly grounded in knowledge who can take the good that is within them while avoiding the bad. However, the beginner does not have the ability to do this, so he must stick to those Tafseers which do not contain dangerous errors or mistakes like: "Tafseer Ibn Katheer", "Tafseer Al Baghawee" and



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"Tafseer al Haafith Ibn Jareer At Tabaree" which are good and precious and all praise belongs to Allah.

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